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BOX PATENT APPLICATION  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Kouichi NAKAMURA  
Entitled PNEUMATIC TIRE  
Assignee: BRIDGESTONE CORPORATION  
Our Reference: Q62623

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto for filing is the application identified above including nine (9) sheets of the specification, including six (6) claims and an abstract, and two (2) sheets of drawings. The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and an Assignment to BRIDGESTONE CORPORATION will be submitted at a later date.

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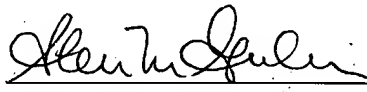
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A check for the statutory filing fee of \$710.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge any difference or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 that may be required during the entire pendency of the application to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from February 3, 2000, based on Japanese Patent Application No. 26766/2000. The priority document will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,  
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